



Welcome on Trinity Sunday

Services online

available on the church YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ>

It may be simpler to find all the services by looking at the different **PLAYLISTS**
on St Matthias YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ/playlists>

or via the church website - follow links from 'online services and worship resources' on home page

Sun 30 May

10am United All Age Service *outside on the piazza – with children's activities indoors – recording available from lunchtime on YouTube*

Link for children's activity sheet: [Trinity Sunday](#)

10.30am Coffee *on zoom*

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3882065555?pwd=VU12d0ZpNjJidHdSRE1qeGZBZzhUUT09>

Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8

Readings: Isaiah 6: 1-8 & Romans 8: 12-17

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=isaiah+6%3A+1-8&version=NIVUK>

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+8%3A+12-17&version=NIVUK>

Thanks go to:



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Collect

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Next Week	
Wed 2 June	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
Thurs 3 June	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
Fri 4 June	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
Sun 6 June	9.30am Breakfastzone <i>in the church building (BYO drinks please!) and online</i>
N.B New teaching from Galatians – see note below	10.30am Coffee on zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3882065555?pwd=VU12d0ZpNjJidHdSRE1qeGZBZzhUUT09 Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8
	11am Holy Communion <i>in church and livestreamed</i>

Wednesday 9 June	New Look Wednesday 9am Service - Holy Communion <i>in church.</i> <i>See note below</i>
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News and dates for the diary

Booking in for Services Only about half the people have recently been booking in for a service to enable us to record for the NHS Test & Trace quickly on a Sunday morning. So we have decided to stop the phone in to attend the 11am but in line with C of E guidance we would like as many as possible to use the QR code on mobiles to check in for a service. If you do not have this facility, there will be a sheet for you to sign in but it is preferable to use the QR code. Thank you.

APCM Link and Reports If you would like to watch the APCM recording from last week, please contact Pere in the office for the link. And if you haven't yet read the reports of all the activities which have still been taking place despite the lockdown, can I recommend it – it's a good read 😊 Hard copies are still available in the church and online
<https://tinyurl.com/atpkfdww>

Sad news We are sad to let you know that Peter Fox died recently. We pray for his family and friends at this time. His funeral will be at the Crematorium on Monday 7 June at 11.15. Since there is limited space, please let Pere in the office know if you would like to attend and she will confirm whether there is space a few days before. The funeral will also be livestreamed and the link will be made available nearer the time.

Robert Barbour We are sad to also let you know that Robert Barbour died recently. Please pray for Helen and their family and friends. His funeral will be held at St Matthias on Friday 11 June at 3.30pm. Please phone the office to let us know you are coming to help us with numbers. Thank you.

Church open Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays The church is open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10.30-11.30am for anyone who wishes to come for some quiet time to reflect and pray and to light a candle. Thanks to the new stewarding teams.



New Look Wednesday 9am Services June 2021

We're planning to re-start the midweek Communion services from 9th June. While we learn to manage the logistics of livestreaming both the 9.30am and 11.00am, and so as to provide for both the midweek Communion congregation and a temporary 'home' for the Sunday 8am Prayer Book Communion congregation as best we can, we plan to hold the usual Common Worship Communion on 1st, 3rd and 5th weeks and use the Prayer Book words on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. At present, we are still not able to congregate after any service to chat, and face coverings will still be mandatory, however we hope that as these restrictions are lifted, we would then be able to stay on for coffee and a chat after the Wednesday morning service – even if we have to bring our own coffee in a flask!

Rev Mark Lord-Lear and Rev Brian and Norma Gerry have kindly agreed to host these services along with Paul and John, (though on occasion the Communion may have to be replaced with a Morning Prayer). So, from Wednesday 9th June, do come along at 9am for Holy Communion together.



Open House Toddler Group *will not be* meeting on Tuesday 1st June as it is half-term. On June 8th we will be meeting on Stoodley Green if dry and in the church if wet. Please ring Elaine on 01803 390222 to book your place.'

Ways to Serve and Wanted



Cleaner Required Can anyone recommend a cleaner or would anyone like to do some cleaning please? We are looking for an occasional cleaner to clean approx. once a fortnight in the Pine Room on a Friday evening (5.30-7.30pm) – floor mopping vacuuming etc. It is a paid position. If anyone is interested or can recommend a cleaner please contact Pere in the Office. Thank you.

Wanted - if anyone has a shed in reasonable condition that they wish to dispose of, please could you speak to Paul Stannard.



Torquay Community Larder would welcome donations of the following: Tinned Peas, Tinned Carrots, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Custard, Squash, Jam, Sugar, Breakfast Cereal, Toilet Rolls. They have enough pasta and sanitary items and toiletries. Please contact Linda Townsend on 07790 640372 to make arrangements for collection.

Torbay Street Pastors Are re-launching soon – watch this space for more details!

Two Projects, One Vision

Please pray that we will find the right person for the important role of Schools, Children, Young People and Families' worker – the application deadline is 4th June.

Riding for Rowcroft! Joshua Perry is raising money for Rowcroft Hospice. If you feel you could support him please go to his giving page at: <https://rowcrofthospice.enthuse.com/pf/josh-perry>
Thank you from Joshua.

TOWNS Friday Meals Service...in need of some help please in order to help the current volunteers to have a break If anyone could help with this please (located at Upton Vale Church) contact Tony Watkins ajpwatkins1@gmail.com They need:

- Cooks who will work in UV's kitchen *;
- Veg preparers who will prepare the veg and deliver it to UV *;
- Packers who will come to assist with loading up the sandwich trays and aluminium hot food trays *;
- Drivers who will take the food to St Mary Mags car park;
- Distributors who will give out the hot food and sandwiches;
- Stewards who will keep the waiting line socially distanced.

***indicates that we are very short handed here.**

towns-friday-meals-service.pdf (d3hgrrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net)

Other news & Information

Teaching from Galatians – from 6th June

“With the opportunity of a new start, what sort of society do we want”? This has been the musing of politicians, journalists, and analysts with the end of the pandemic in sight. It seems like a unique opportunity to reboot how we view human community.

Paul had a similar perspective as he wrote to the Galatians. It is probably the earliest document in the New Testament – written just 25-30 years after the resurrection. So, Paul's personal journey of faith and the reliability of his experience is fascinating and reassuring – this is “not something humans made up” (1:11)

Paul needed to establish the truthfulness of the Gospel because it has such radical implications for society and faith. You see, usually when people get hold of religion, they use it as an instrument of control and repression. Judaism had become like that and some of the old school had infiltrated the church bringing in rules, regulations and just bad thinking! Paul defends Christian freedom and the joy of life directed by the Spirit. So, he explained the proper place of the Old Testament law, and then described the wonder of being released as sons and daughters of God - who have the freedom of the Spirit to produce “fruit” that mirrors the life of Jesus himself.

Today we have an opportunity for a new start across the board. Galatians is a great letter for rebooting correct thinking and behaviour. Tune into this exciting sermon series.

News of Archbishop Josiah Idowu-Fearon

Josiah has been linked with St Matthias' for many years. He is currently based at Lambeth Palace as the Secretary-General of the Anglican Communion Worldwide and is working on preparations for next year's Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops. After that has been held Josiah plans to return to Kaduna, Northern Nigeria to re-engage in his peace-making activities, seeking to improve understanding between the Christian and Muslim communities. Sadly Josiah's house in Kaduna has recently been burnt down (due to careless bush burning by a local worker) and with it his theological library of between 6500 and 7000 volumes on both Christian and Muslim subjects. The library had been passed by Josiah to the Kaduna Centre which works for understanding and peace between the two communities. Prayer is requested for Josiah and his family and, if anyone wishes to make a contribution towards the restoration of house and library, Ian Lane ('phone 01803 607345) can give guidance on how this may be done. He has checked with the Revd Peter Larkin – while studying in Birmingham Josiah served with Peter as a curate in Bromsgrove - that the facts are correct (ie not a Nigerian scam using Josiah's name) and that insurance is not a viable option in Northern Nigeria.

A Pentecost Party..... On Thursday, the pre school children and some of their mums had a party in Church to celebrate Pentecost. They watched The Cheeky Pandas' latest production for Thy Kingdom Come, danced and enjoyed chocolate marshmallows! With many thanks to David running the sound desk.



Prayer

We would be glad to pray with you over the phone. Please phone our usual Office number 01803 214175. You are more likely to be able to speak to someone quickly Monday to Friday in office hours, but even at weekends, the messages are checked at least twice a day so someone will return your call.

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayers

Sun Praise God for the APCM last week. For all the organisations going well and many growing, for the news of God at work among us and for His provision in so many ways.

Mon Pray for peace and justice in the world especially in the Middle East.

Tues Thank God that the Open House Toddlers Group are back meeting in the park together, and the fact of being in the open is drawing in other families. Pray they will stay and learn to know Jesus for themselves.

Wed Thank the Lord that we have freedom to open our church building, and that we can open on three mornings a week for private prayer. Pray that this facility will be a blessing for those who use it, and may they draw closer to their Lord.

Thurs Some things needed in the life of our church. For a response for someone to come forward to be our children and youth worker; for a part time cleaner; for a shed; for people to give to the Torquay Community Larder; for a children's worker for the Zone Services; for volunteers to help the TOWNS project with cooking and food preparation.

Fri For the sick and recently bereaved to find comfort and healing.

Sat For Archbishop Josiah and family preparing to return to Nigeria and face building a new home and library after a destructive fire.

Sun Thank God and pray for all the Staff Team, especially John and Ruth Beckett and Paul and Tessa Barton.



NEW **FREE ANTENATAL COURSE
AT ST MATTHIAS CHURCH, TORQUAY
Starting 17th June 2021**

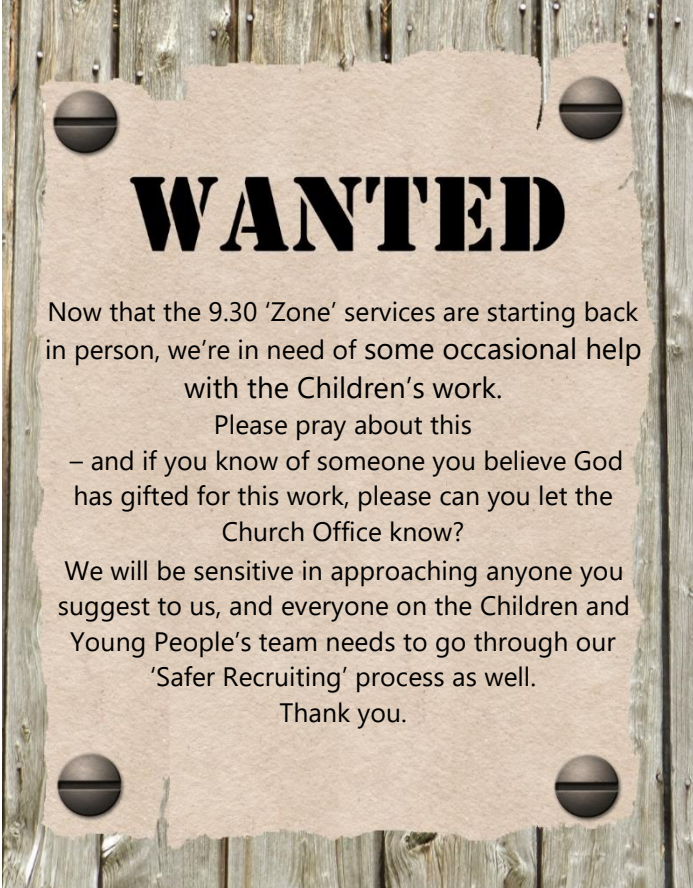
Dates (all Thursdays):
17th, 24th June
1st, 8th and 15th July
Time: 7.30 - 9.00pm



Book your free course NOW
Find us on facebook or www.beginwell.org.uk

Begin Well is a charity founded by a health visitor and a consultant obstetrician, based on NHS guidelines to help prepare for the arrival of a new baby.

Run by: St Matthias Church, Babbacombe Road, Wellswood, TQ1 1HW
Contact Lena Fearnley - 01803 295268



WANTED

Now that the 9.30 'Zone' services are starting back in person, we're in need of some occasional help with the Children's work.

Please pray about this
– and if you know of someone you believe God has gifted for this work, please can you let the Church Office know?

We will be sensitive in approaching anyone you suggest to us, and everyone on the Children and Young People's team needs to go through our 'Safer Recruiting' process as well.

Thank you.

To contact the Church: Although the building is closed you can still contact the church as follows:

Office: 01803 214175 admin@st-matthias-church.org

Rector: John Beckett 01803 293119

Asst Minister: Paul Barton 07807 636470